

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **1321**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 07 2015

RE: S.C.R. No. 93

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 93 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW WHETHER THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD SHOULD BE GIVEN VOTING RIGHTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Board of Education to review whether the student representative to the Board of Education should be given voting rights.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association and Hui for Excellence in Education.

Your Committee finds that the student representative to the Board of Education provides the Board with a unique perspective on public school issues. The student representative has first-hand knowledge of how certain policies impact students. Considering the valuable contributions the student representative can make to the Board, a review of whether the student representative should be given voting rights is warranted.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 93 and recommends its adoption.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Education,



MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



